

June 16, 1999

Dr. Jane Henney, Commissioner
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Dear Dr. Henney:

I am writing to urge you and the FDA to ban the use of human antibiotics in animal feeds, including new antibiotics not currently used and the six antibiotics mentioned in the Environmental Defense Fund petition of EDF and others. This petition is and the suggested ban consistent with the recommendations of the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control. The U.S. is lagging behind Europe in responding to these recommendations.

I am aware that agribusiness interests will protest any such ban, but I strongly urge

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you to put ^{human} health concerns ahead of their financial interests. If they are able to find other answers to the challenges of raising farm animals in Europe, then we can do it in this country as well.

This is a serious threat to human health, and
(the overuse of antibiotics)

I urge you to please take strong action
consistent with your mandate and mission.

Sincerely,

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